



Congressman John Yarmuth
FEDERAL GRANTS ALERT

January 2008

▪ **Early Reading First Program**

U.S. Department of Education

This program supports local efforts to enhance the oral language, cognitive, and early reading skills of preschool-aged children, especially those from low-income families, through strategies, materials, and professional development that are grounded in scientifically based reading research.

Eligible Applicants: Local educational agencies (LEAs), including charter schools that are considered LEAs under State law, public or private organizations or agencies (including faith-based organizations) located in a community served by an eligible LEA.

Deadline: February 01, 2008

Award Amount: 25 awards; total funding \$116,489,340

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▪ **Special Improvement Project (SIP)**

Administration for Children and Families

This grant will fund programs that further the national child support mission to ensure that all children receive financial and medical support from their parents and which strengthen the ability of the nation's child support programs to collect support on behalf of children and families. OCSE is looking for innovative projects that promote some of the basic themes of the national strategic plan in that child support should be a reliable source of income for families; and that child support agencies should use early prevention strategies to help build a culture of compliance in which parents will support their children voluntarily and reliably.

Eligible Applicants: Eligibility is open to all types of domestic applicants other than individuals. Faith-based and community organizations are eligible to apply under this announcement.

Deadline: March 04, 2008

Award Amount: \$100,000

Contact: Susan Greenblatt, susan.greenblatt@acf.hhs.gov

- **On the Road Exhibition Grants**

National Endowment for the Humanities

These grants support ancillary public humanities programs to accompany NEH on the Road traveling exhibitions. Typical formats involve lectures, reading and discussion programs, film discussion programs, Chautauqua presentations by scholars, family programs, exhibition tours, or other appropriate formats for reaching the general public. The criterion for review is the degree to which the programs involve humanities experts as presenters in ways that build on the themes of the exhibition.

Eligible Applicants: County governments, City or township governments, Independent school districts, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), Private institutions of higher education

Deadline: December 31, 2008

Award Amount: \$1,000

Contact: Division of Public Programs, 202-606-8570 or publicpgms@neh.gov.

- **Alternative Transportation in Parks and Public Lands Program**

Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation

The purpose of the program is to enhance the protection of national parks and Federal lands, and increase the enjoyment of those visiting them. The program funds capital and planning expenses for alternative transportation systems in parks and public lands. Alternative transportation is “transportation by bus, rail, or any other publicly or privately owned conveyance that provides to the public general or special service on a regular basis, including sightseeing service. Such term also includes a non-motorized transportation system (including the provision of facilities for pedestrians, bicycles, and non-motorized watercraft).”

Eligible Applicants: State governments, county governments, city or township governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Deadline: February 29, 2008

Award Amount: \$5,945,000

Contact: Federal Transit Administration, Attn: Scott Faulk, Program Analyst, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, Phone: 202-366-1660, scott.faulk@dot.gov

- **Community Action For A Renewed Environment (CARE) Program**

Environmental Protection Agency

CARE is a unique community-based, community-driven, multimedia demonstration program designed to help communities understand and reduce risks due to toxics and environmental pollutants from all sources. The CARE grant program works with the eligible entities to help their communities form collaborative partnerships, develop a comprehensive understanding of the many sources of risk from toxics and environmental pollutants, set priorities, and identify and carry out projects to reduce risks through collaborative action at the local level. CARE’s long-term goal is to help communities build self-sustaining, community-based partnerships that will continue to improve human health and local environments into the future.

Eligible Applicants: City or township governments, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), County governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Deadline: March 17, 2008

Award Amount: \$300,000

Contact: Dennis O'Connor, 202-343-9213, oconnor.dennis@epa.gov

▪ **21st Century Museum Professionals Grants**

Institute of Museum and Library Services

The purpose of the 21st Century Museum Professionals (21MP) program is to increase the capacity of museums to connect people to information and ideas by improving the knowledge and skills of museum staff in the full range of museum operations. "Museum professionals" include both paid and unpaid museum staff and both practicing and future professionals. Funding will support projects involving core management skills such as planning, leadership, finance, program design, partnership, and evaluation. Project focus areas may also include, but not be limited to, collections care and management, interpretation, marketing and audience development, visitor services, governance, and other areas of museum operations. Proposals may also focus on projects that help museums attract and retain staff, and improve the capacity of museums to address the rapidly changing demographics in many communities.

Examples of activities may include one or more of the following: development and implementation of classes, seminars or workshops that deliver information on how to improve staff practices in the operation of museums; resources and activities to support the development of museum leaders; organizational support for the development of internship and fellowship programs; support for the enhancement of pre-professional training programs; collection, assessment or development of information that leads to better museum operations; dissemination of information to museum professionals through publications, Web sites or other means; activities that increase and strengthen the use of contemporary technology tools to deliver programs and services.

Eligible Applicants: State governments, Private institutions of higher education, County governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), City or township governments, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education)

Deadline: March 15, 2008

Award Amount: up to \$500,000

Contact: Christopher Reich, Senior Program Officer, 202/653-4685, creich@imls.gov; Twinet Kimbrough, Program Specialist, 202/653-4703, tkimbrough@imls.gov.

- **Summer Seminars and Institutes**

National Endowment for the Humanities

These grants support national faculty development programs in the humanities for school teachers, and for college and university teachers. Seminars and institutes may be as short as two weeks or as long as six weeks. The duration of a program should allow for full and thorough treatment of the program's topic.

Eligible Applicants: State governments, County governments, City or township, governments, Special district governments, Independent school districts, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments), Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), Private institutions of higher education

Deadline: March 03, 2008

Award Amount: \$45,000 - \$200,000

Contact: Division of Education Programs, 202-606-8463, sem-inst@neh.gov

- **Research for Preventing Violence and Violence-Related Injury**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

This program will fund investigator-initiated research that will help expand and advance our understanding of violence, its causes, and prevention strategies. Funds are available to address dissemination/implementation research in the areas of child maltreatment or youth violence. Funds are also available to conduct studies of efficacy, effectiveness, and cost effectiveness of primary prevention strategies, programs, and policies to prevent the perpetration of violence aimed at preventing the perpetration of child maltreatment, intimate partner violence, sexual violence, youth violence, and/or suicidal behavior. There is particular interest in evaluating approaches that make changes at the family/relationship, community or societal levels of social influence; in evaluating approaches designed to reduce multiple forms of violence; and in approaches aimed at reducing racial/ethnic, gender, and/or economic disparities.

Eligible Applicants: County governments, State governments, For profit organizations, Small businesses, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Nonprofits, Native American tribal organizations and governments, Private institutions of higher education, Special district governments, and City or township governments

Deadline: February 15, 2008

Award Amount: \$300,000

Contact: (770) 488-2700, PGOTIM@cdc.gov

- **Cancer Prevention Research Small Grant Program**

National Institutes of Health

This funding opportunity is designed to enhance basic and applied cancer prevention research to facilitate the development of full research projects. The National Cancer Institute (NCI) invites applications that propose small and time-limited projects pertinent to the development of cancer

chemoprevention agents, biomarkers for early cancer detection, cancer-related nutrition science, and/or clinical prevention studies that focus on specific target organs. Proposed projects may involve basic and/or translational research and/or human subjects-oriented research. New, as well as established, investigators in relevant fields and disciplines (e.g., chemoprevention, nutritional science, genetics, infectious agents, and early detection, including biomarker development and validation) are encouraged to apply for these small grants to test the feasibility of innovative ideas or carry out pilot studies.

Eligible Applicants: Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, State governments, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), Small businesses, For profit organizations other than small businesses, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), Private institutions of higher education

Deadline: December 9, 2010

Award Amount: Applications will be considered up to \$50,000 per year.

Contact: (301) 435-0714, GrantsInfo@nih.gov

▪ **Translation Research to Prevent Motor Vehicle-Related Crashes and Injuries to Teen Drivers and Their Passengers**

Centers for Disease Control

The announcement of this research opportunity represents a critical step in moving effective interventions into practice to ultimately save the lives of teen drivers and their passengers. The purpose of this announcement is to solicit applications to conduct translation research to understand the best ways to promote the widespread adoption and institutionalization of evidence-based teen driving interventions. Research proposals must consider one or a combination of the following: tools for the successful dissemination, implementation, and diffusion of evidence-based teen driving programs, practices, or policies that achieve positive outcomes for target populations; optimal strategies to enhance the widespread adoption and institutionalization of effective teen driving intervention programs; and the cost-effective teen driving strategies designed to implement evidence into practice, and subsequently into the framework of decision making within public health practice, systems and organizations and/or at the public policy level.

Eligible Applicants: City or township governments, County governments, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), Private institutions of higher education, State governments, Special district governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Small businesses, For profit organizations other than small businesses, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

Deadline: March 17, 2008

Award Amount: \$518,000

Contact: (770) 488-2700, PGOTIM@cdc.gov

- **Solving Cold Cases with DNA**

National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice

NIJ seeks applications from States and units of local government for funding to identify, review, and investigate “violent crime cold cases” that have the potential to be solved using DNA analysis and to locate and analyze biological evidence associated with these cases. Experience has shown that cold case programs can solve a substantial number of violent crime cold cases, including homicides and sexual assaults. Advances in DNA technologies have substantially increased the successful DNA analysis of aged, degraded, limited or otherwise compromised biological evidence. As a result, crime scene samples once thought to be unsuitable for testing may now yield DNA profiles. Additionally, samples that previously generated inconclusive DNA results may now be successfully analyzed using newer methods.

Eligible Applicants: State and local governments

Deadline: February 01, 2008

Award Amount: Typically will not exceed \$500,000.

Contact: Charles Heurich, 202–616–9264 or charles.heurich@usdoj.gov

- **Research on Safe Community Release for Pretrial and Jail Populations**

National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice

The Institute has identified the pretrial and jail release phases of the criminal justice system as an understudied research priority. It is at these stages that case management and other key decisions affecting detention, case outcome, and sentencing are made. Such decisions have important repercussions for defendants/offenders, victims and their families at the case level, and for policymakers in the aggregate. NIJ is now soliciting applications for funding for research and evaluation of pretrial and jail options that promote cost-effective alternatives to detention and incarceration and protect public safety. Proposals that build upon and add to what is already known from past and active projects are encouraged.

Eligible Applicants: States (including territories), local governments (including federally recognized Indian tribal governments that perform law enforcement functions), nonprofit and profit organizations (including tribal nonprofit and profit organizations), institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education), and certain qualified individuals.

Deadline: February 15, 2008

Award Amount: Depending on availability, up to 4 awards totaling \$1,000,000

Contact: Dr. Linda Truitt, Senior Social Science Analyst, at 202–353–9081 or Linda.Truitt@usdoj.gov

- **School-Based Student Drug-Testing Programs**

U.S. Department of Education

Through the Grants for School-Based Student Drug-Testing Programs, the Department awards grants to local educational agencies (LEAs) and other public and private entities to develop and implement, or expand, school-based drug-testing programs for students.

Eligible Applicants: LEAs, including charter schools that are considered LEAs under state law, and public and private entities.

Deadline: March 21, 2008

Award Amount: \$12,750,000 for 85 awards

Contact: Sigrid Melus, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20202-6450. Telephone: 202-260-2673, or Kandice Kostic, U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Ave., SW., Room 3E258, Washington, DC 20202-6450, 202-260-7836

- **Initiatives to Educate State Officials about Priority Public Health Issues Related to Wellness and the Prevention and Control of Chronic Diseases**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The purpose of the program is to fund national public and private non-profit organizations to provide Capacity Building Assistance (CBA) that supports a national framework to prevent chronic diseases and promote health, including prevention of priority risk behaviors among youth.

Eligible Applicants: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education)

Deadline: February 01, 2008

Award Amount: \$681,250 for 3 awards

Contact: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Procurement and Grants Office (PGO), Technical Information Management Section (TIMS), Phone 770-488-2700, pgotim@cdc.gov

- **Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities**

National Endowment for the Humanities

As part of the Endowment-wide Digital Humanities Initiative, these grants support national or regional (multi-state) research and training programs on approaches in humanities computing. Through these programs, the NEH seeks to increase the number of humanities scholars using digital technology in their research and broadly disseminate knowledge about advanced technology applications relevant to the humanities. The projects may be a single opportunity or offered multiple times to different audiences, although the duration of a program should allow for full and thorough treatment of the topic.

Eligible Applicants: Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), Private institutions of higher education

Deadline: April 09, 2008

Award Amount: \$250,000

Contact: National Endowment for the Humanities, Digital Humanities Initiative, National Endowment for the Humanities, Room 203, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506 dhi@neh.gov

- **Even Start Family Literacy Program Women's Prison Grant**

U.S. Department of Education

The Even Start Family Literacy program Women's Prison grant is designed to help break the cycle of poverty and illiteracy and improve the educational opportunities of low-income families with mothers in prison by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified, high-quality, family literacy program. This project, which must be located in a prison that houses women and their preschool-age children, will serve women inmates and their children, birth through age seven.

Eligible Applicants: County governments, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), For profit organizations other than small businesses, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), State governments, Small businesses, City or township governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Deadline: February 29, 2008

Award Amount: \$150,000

Contact: Amber Sheker, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 3C142, Washington, DC 20202-6132, (202) 205-0653 or Amber.Sheker@ed.gov; or Rebecca Marek, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 3C138, Washington, DC 20202-6132, (202) 260-0968

- **Ethics Education in Science and Engineering**

National Science Foundation

The Ethics Education in Science and Engineering (EASE) program accepts proposals for research and educational projects to improve ethics education in all of the fields of science and engineering that NSF supports, especially in interdisciplinary or inter-institutional contexts. Proposals must focus on improving ethics education for graduate students in those fields, although the proposed programs may benefit advanced undergraduates in addition to graduate students.

Eligible Applicants: Colleges and universities located and accredited in the U.S. or U.S.-based professional associations are eligible to apply to this program. Other types of organizations can be included only as non-lead collaborators or sub-awardees.

Deadline: April 03, 2008

Award Amount: \$15,000 - \$300,000

Contact: grantsgovsupport@nsf.gov

- **Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) for Drug Abuse in General Medical Settings**

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), National Institutes of Health

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) invites research applications to develop and test the effectiveness of models that integrate screening, brief intervention, and referral to specialized

treatment for individuals with drug abuse entering into primary care and other general medical settings.

Eligible Applicants: Nonprofits, Small businesses, City or township governments, Independent school districts, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, County governments, State governments, Special district governments, For profit organizations, Native American tribal organizations and governments.

Deadline: March 14, 2008

Award Amount: \$3.5 million

Contact: FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV

- **Runaway and Homeless Youth Basic Center Program**

Administration for Children and Families

The Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) is accepting applications for the Basic Center Program (BCP), which is authorized by the Runaway and Homeless Act to address runaway and homeless youth (RHY) problems. BCPs provide an alternative for runaway and homeless youth who might otherwise end up with law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. Each BCP must provide runaway and homeless youth with a safe and appropriate shelter, individual, family, and group counseling as appropriate, and aftercare.

Eligible Applicants: Local Governments Regional Organizations Indian/Native American Tribally Designated Organizations Public and non-profit private entities and coordinated networks of such entities are eligible applicants under this announcement. Faith-based and community organizations are eligible to apply.

Deadline: February 19, 2008

Award Amount: up to \$200,000

Contact: FYSB@dixongroup.com

- **Strategic Agricultural Initiative/Food Quality Protection Act Grant Program**

Environmental Protection Agency

The program supports grants for education, extension and demonstration projects for transitioning away from high-risk pesticides to lower risk pesticides and sustainable practices in food production. Proposals for demonstration projects must demonstrate applications, technologies, methods or approaches that are new, innovative or experimental.

Eligible Applicants: Individuals, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, State governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Deadline: March 14, 2008

Award Amount: \$100,000 - \$50,000

Contact: Cindy Wire, 415-947-4242 mailto:wire.cindy@epa.gov

▪ **Environmental Literacy Grants for Formal K-12 Education**

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

This program will fund projects between one and five years in duration that promote changes in K-12 education to expand the amount of Earth System Science taught in the classroom and improve student learning of that subject. Successful projects will catalyze change in K-12 education through development of new programs and materials and/or revision of existing programs and materials by supporting transformative methods: those practices (which are not necessarily new) that are likely to increase the environmental literacy of K-12 teachers and their students by increasing the amount of Earth System Science taught in grades K-12.

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education, for-profit and nonprofit organizations, and state, local and Indian tribal governments in the United States, K through 12 public and independent schools and school systems, and science centers and museums.

Deadline: June 25, 2008

Award Amount: 7 awards of \$200,000 to \$750,000

Contact: Steve Drescher, Policy Advisor, 301-713-0926

▪ **Alzheimer's Disease Pilot Clinical Trials**

National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services

The Alzheimer's Disease (AD) Prevention Initiative encompasses a number of interrelated efforts including basic, epidemiological, behavioral, and clinical research. An important part of the AD Prevention Initiative is to quicken the pace for translating basic science findings into clinical trials to evaluate treatment and prevention strategies. This funding opportunity focuses on AD pilot clinical trials. Qualified investigators to submit research grant applications for pilot clinical trials using pharmacologic and/or behavioral interventions directed toward the prevention and treatment of the cognitive and behavioral symptoms of mild cognitive impairment (MCI), Alzheimer's disease (AD), and age-related cognitive decline.

Eligible Applicants: Small businesses, Special district governments, Private institutions of higher education, Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, Nonprofits, For profit organizations other than small businesses, Native American tribal organizations and tribal governments, Independent school districts, State governments, City or township governments, County governments, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Faith-based or community-based organizations can apply.

Deadline: January 07, 2011

Amount: Not to exceed \$450,000 per year in direct costs for up to 3 years.

Contact: (301) 435-0714, GrantsInfo@nih.gov

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